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SUBJECT: WEEKLY STATUS REPORT - JAPAN, OCTOBER 13, 1977

TO: EA - MR. HOLBROOKE

FROM: EA/J - NICHOLAS PLATT
FISH, INCLUDING BOWHEAD WHALES (UNCLASSIFIED)

1. THIS YEAR'S FISHERY ALLOCATIONS GENERALLY TREAT THE
JAPANESE WELL, MAINTAINING THE SAME LEVEL AS LAST YEAR'S
ALLOCATION, WHICH WAS ONLY TWELVE PERCENT BELOW THAT OF
THE PREVIOUS YEAR. HOWEVER, THERE ARE AREAS WHERE THE
JAPANESE ARE UNHAPPY. AMBASSADOR TOGO AND THE FISHERY
A8ENCY'S YONEZAWA SAW ASSISTANT SECRETARY MINK YESTERDAY
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AND IDENTIFIED THE JAPANESE ALLOCATION OF SABLE FISH,
TERRITORIAL RESTRICTIONS ON TANNER CRABS AND LIMITATIONS
ON SQUID AS PARTICULARLY TROUBLESOME. THE JAPANESE
NORTH PACIFIC LONELINE GILLNET ASSOCIATION SAW AMBASSADOR
NEGROPONTE THIS WEEK TO PROTEST THE SABLE FISH REDUCTION.
DOS HAS LIMITED ABILITY TO EFFECT THESE ALLOCATIONS, AND
WE WERE REDUCED TO CLAM CHOWDER AND SYMPATHY.

AMBASSADOR TOGO RAISED

THE BOWHEAD WHALES ISSUE WITH YOU
BASED ON A WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE ALLEGING THAT ASSISTANT
SECRETARY MINK WAS IN FAVOR OF AN OBJECTION TO THE IWC
RULING THAT THE ESKIMOS MUST DESIST FROM FISHING FOR
BOWHEAD WHALES; THE JAPANESE ARE INTERESTED BECAUSE OF
OUR PRESSURE ON THEM TO STOP WHALING. OES SOURCES SAY
THAT THE MINK VIEW WAS MISREPRESENTED IN THE ARTICLE, AND
THAT IN ANY CASE, THE DECISION WILL BE MADE AT THE HIGHEST
LEVEL.

2. NISHIDA CALL ON NYE (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

THE JAPANESE MINISTER, SEKIYA NISHIDA, CALLED ON JOE
NYE OCTOBER 12 FOR A BRIEFING ON THE ORGANIZATIONAL
MEETING FOR THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION PRO-
GRAM (INFCEP) IN WASHINGTON OCTOBER 19-21. NISHIDA
WAS MOST INTERESTED IN WHETHER THE FRENCH WOULD ATTEND
AND IF THE JAPANESE WOULD BE ABLE TO CHAIR THE COMMITTEE
THEY WISHED.

3. VISITORS (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

EA HAS SENT TO THE WHITE HOUSE A STRONG RECOMMENDATION
THAT THE VICE PRESIDENT SEE CLEAN GOVERNMENT PARTY
SECRETARY-GENERAL JUNYA YANO NEXT MONTH. WE ARE HOPING
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